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SUBJECT: TTBT DATA EXCHANGE: MEETING WITH TIMERBAYEV JULY 20

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1. SUMMARY. IN VIEW OF MOROKHOV'S ABSENCE NEXT TWO WEEKS AND AMBASSADOR'S DEPARTURE FOR CONSULTATION, EMBOFF PRESENTED NON-FYI PORTIONS OF REFTEL TO TIMERBAYEV JULY 20 AS COMPROMISE PACKAGE ON FOUR DISAGREED POINTS. RESPONSE WAS THAT SOVIET SIDE WOULD CONSIDER PROPOSAL, BUT PRELIMINARY REACTION WAS THAT PROPOSAL IS STEP FORWARD. ON PLACEMENT COORDINATES, MINDEF REP BOCHEROV COMMENTED THAT COMPROMISE ON BOUNDARIES MIGHT BE ENVISAGED, BUT NOTIFICATION TO NEAREST SECOND WOULD BE "DIFFICULT". TREATY RATIFICATION WAS NOT MENTIONED. END SUMMARY.

2. REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENT WITH MOROKOV DAY BEFORE AMBASSADOR DEPARTED FOR CONSULTATIONS REVEALED THAT MOROKHOV IS OUT OF ACTION FOR ABOUT TWO WEEKS ON PHYSICAL CHECKUP. CONSEQUENTLY, EMBOFF PRESENTED UNOFFICIAL PAPER EMBODYING OPERATIVE, NON-FYI PORTIONS OF SUBPARAS A-D, PARA 1 REFTEL TO TIMERBAYEV JULY 20. TIMERBAYEV WAS ACCOMPANIED BY MINDEF REP BOCHEROV AND INTERPRETER KONASHKOV FROM HIS OWN STAFF,

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BUT DID TRANSLATING FOR BOCHEROV HIMSELF.

3. EMBOFF DESCRIBED PROPOSAL AS COMPROMISE PACKAGE IN FOUR AREAS OF DISAGREEMENT, AND IN RELAYING THIS TO BOCHEROV IN RUSSIAN TIMERBAYEV CAREFULLY DEFINED IT AS A GROUP OF INTERRELATED PROPOSALS.

4. EMBOFF ALSO OFFERED EXPLANATION OF U.S. APPROACH TO YIELD TRANSMITTED IN FYI PORTION OF PARA 1(A) REFTEL.

5. AFTER READING AND TRANSLATING TEXT, TIMERBAYEV SAID SOVIET SIDE WOULD CONSIDER PROPOSAL AND BE BACK IN TOUCH, BUT PRELIMINARY REACTION WAS THAT PROPOSAL IS A STEP FORWARD.

6 ON SUBSTANTIVE RESPONSE WAS BOCHEROV COMMENT ON PLACEMENT COORDINATES (PARA 1(D)), TO EFFECT THAT SOME COMPROMISE SHOULD BE POSSIBLE WITH REGARD TO BOUNDARIES, BUT THAT IT WOULD BE VERY DIFFICULT TO ACCEPT NOTIFICATION OF COORDINATES TO THE NEAREST SECOND.

7. NOTHING WAS SAID ON EITHER SIDE ABOUT TIMING ON TTBT AND PNE TREATY RATIFICATION.

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